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## REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

## INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This Reply is in response to the Office Action dated April 4, 2007.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

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